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The selected items in this folder consist of five letters and telegrams from 1915. Included is a telegram from Edward E. Nichols, proprietor of the Cliff House hotel in Manitou Springs, Colorado, and brother-in-law of Mina Edison's sister Mary Miller Nichols, whom the Edisons visited after their trip to the Panama-Pacific International Exposition in San Francisco. Also included is a communication from Ernest J. Berggren, secretary-treasurer of Thomas A. Edison, Inc., regarding Mina's investment in the Edison Phonograph Works. Other correspondents include Italian composer Luigi Romano and Dr. Thomas Addison, vice president of the California branch of the General Electric Co.

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[F5F05AA], Letter from Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison to George P Way, February 15th, 1915

Title
[F5F05AA], Letter from Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison to George P Way, February 15th, 1915

Author
Edison, Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.)

Recipient
Way, George P

Date
1915-02-15

Type
Letter

Subject
TAE health

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Llewellyn Park, W. Orange, N.J.

Febmanyy 15, 1915.

Mr. Geo. P Way,

18 Adelaide St.,

Detroit, Mich.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of Feb. 11th, relative to your Artificial Ear Drum, kindly advise me if there is some place in New York City where I can see the outfit.

Yours very truly,

C/H.

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[F5F05AB], Letter from Luigi Romano to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, June 14th, 1915

Title
[F5F05AB], Letter from Luigi Romano to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, June 14th, 1915

Author
Romano, Luigi

Recipient
Edison, Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.)

Mentioned

- Edison, Charles
- Edison, Thomas Alva
- Meadowcroft, William Henry

Date
1915-06-14

Type
Letter

Subject

- World War I
- Disc recordings

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New York, June 1st, 1915

Mrs. Thos. A. Edison,
Orange, N. J.

Gentle Mrs. Edison,

I allowed myself to send to You the enclosed Musical work, wich I have dedicated to You. It was composed in pain - first to think of the Great Sciaciate Mr. Edison, as he always has shown to be painful about the Human massacre that has thouched all Europe, and that Mr. Edison was against this Human massacre: second, I wrote this music thinking of my poor desolate Mother, that at present is crying for the pain that one of my brothers is in war near Austria, and by this time he might be dead.

Mrs. Edison, Saturday night this piece was

played at a Concert in the presence of a thousand people, it was repeated many time, and at the end they all clapped saying :- Viva Italy, Viva the King .- then I raised my hand up, and at that sign they all said :- Viva Edison.

Mrs. Edison. It is three weeks that I go around to all the musical houses that I could found, and agency, they all say the same thing, there is nothing doing, - business is very poor, on account of the war, all commerce is stopped, this War that has killed the all world.

Mrs. Edison. I hope I am not annoying you, by writing in this way, I have no one to turn too, You are so noble and kind-hearted, and can sympathies with me, in the condition that I am to day, no work, no pupils, I got so that I can not pay my rent, or send a little money to my poor old mother, they depend on me but.... imagine dear Mrs. Edison what can my mother suffer. Mr. Edison had given the order to

Mr. Meadowcroft to give me $100= for the time that was to have for all the vacation, but I could not take the money, because in my conscience I knew that I did not work for that money; and would not accepted.

Mrs. Edison, the enclosed piece that I am sending You is for orchestra, purpose to be produced on the disc, wich will be of a grand effect. I beg You to let Mr. Edison hear this music played by a Good pianist, if Mr. Edison will allow me, I can take with myself a Prof. and let him play this music and You all can hear it; also this Prof. can play for You many of others that he has - himself. -

Now Mrs. Edison, I am at the orders of Mr. Edison, I am ready to do just as he orders; I wish that Mr. Edison would give me some chance to make a living as I am in great necessity, and only the Lord knows my condition; and my pain for my mother and my poor brother in War. —

Mrs. Edison, I am waiting for an answer from You. God shall bless You, for all You do for me. I beg You Mrs. Edison to tell Mr. Edison to have this music produced on the disc, as it is wonderful, and on account of the war, it will be very good in sales, as every body will be anxious to hear something concerning the war; and the name of it alone will be a good seller :- "The Pain of Mr. Edison for Human Massacre in Europe". This title will be an anxiousity to the people to hear it, also the disc will remain for remembrance of this infernal War in the history.

Forgive me, Noble Madama if I annoy You, I take advange of Your Good heart. I send my respect to Mr. Edison, to Your son Carl, to Mr. Meadowcroft, my respect to You, and I remain,

Respectfully Yours.

Prof. Luigi Romano
C/O Sanna
205 Grand St. New York

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[F5F05AC], Telegram from Edward Erastus Nichols, Jr. to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, October 31st, 1915

Title
[F5F05AC], Telegram from Edward Erastus Nichols, Jr. to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, October 31st, 1915

Author
Nichols, Edward Erastus, Jr

Recipient
Edison, Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.)

Date
1915-10-31

Type
Telegram

Subject
Travel (TAE and family)

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Night Letter	N L

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NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT
GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT BELVIDERE BROOKS, VICE-PRESIDENT

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MRS THOMAS A EDISON

CORONADO HOTEL CALIF

WE WANT YOU AND YOUR PARTY TO TAKE BREAKFAST WITH US WILL MEET YOU AT DEPOT IF NO ARRANGEMENTS YET DE FOR MOTOR TRIP TO DENVER WILL YOU NOT ALLOW US TO PLAN YOUR TIME HERE ADVISE WHAT HOUR DUE IN DENVER HOW MANY IN PARTY AND WE WILL HAVE EVERYTHING IN READINESS ANSWER.

EDWARD E NICHOLS

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[F5F05AD], Letter from Thomas Addison to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, November 9th, 1915

Title
[F5F05AD], Letter from Thomas Addison to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, November 9th, 1915

Author
Addison, Thomas

Recipient
Edison, Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.)

Mentioned

- Bee, William George
- Fagan, Frank Dennell

Date
1915-11-09

Type
Letter

Subject

- Travel (TAE and family)
- Photographs and autographs

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November 9th, 1915.

Mrs. Thos. A. Edison,
Llewellyn Park,
Orange, N. J.

My Dear Mrs. Edison:-

You asked us to send you the results of our snap shot photographs taken at our camp in Los Gatos, and I take pleasure in enclosing same with this.

As you will note they are a very poor lot of photographs due to the fact that it is always difficult to get good photographs where the sun is sending down shafts of light through the trees; also to the fact that we did not understand the borrowed camera. Anyway, we are glad to have them as a reminder of your visit to our little camp; also as a further reminder of the very pleasant two days' trip we had with you.

Mr. Fagan has returned, and Mr. Bee called this morning, and they reported your safe journey through Los Angeles, San Diego and to the Canon. The press reports indicate that you have arrived home safely.

Mrs. Addison and I will always look upon your visit here as one of the most delightful experiences of our life. We both hope that we may sometime in the near future have the pleasure of seeing you again.

With sincere regards in which Mrs. Addison joins, I remain

Very respectfully yours,

TA/JMR.

enc.

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[F5F05AE], Letter from Ernest J Berggren to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, November 20th, 1915

Title
[F5F05AE], Letter from Ernest J Berggren to Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.) Edison, November 20th, 1915

Author
Berggren, Ernest J

Recipient
Edison, Mina Miller (Mrs Thomas A.)

Mentioned
Edison Phonograph Works

Date
1915-11-20

Type
Letter

Subject

- Finances (TAE and family)
- Stocks, bonds, and investments

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Nov 20/15

Mrs Thos A Edison.

My dear Mrs Edison:—

I have in my safe your individual Note for $10000 which was due Sep 9th – Supported by 12 Edison Phonograph Works Bonds which I wish to retire this month.

Will you kindly arrange with Mr H. F. Miller so that I can receive from him your new Note for $10000 to be dated Sep 9th in place of the one I am holding, and also 12 Edison Phonograph Works Bonds Nos 157 to 168 including – to replace the ones I wish to retire.

By giving this matter your early attention you will greatly oblige,

Sincerely Yours

E. J. Berggren
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